

REMARKS

Applicants kindly request the amendment to Specification be entered. The amendment adds the priority claim. No new matter is being added.

Applicants request the entry of the amendments to the Claims. Applicants are amending Claims 1, 2, 6, 11, 15-18, 20-24 to them make it comply with US practice.

Applicants request the cancellation of Claims 3-5, 10, 12, 19, and 25-26 without prejudice to pursue these claims in a divisional application.

Applicants request the entry of new Claims 27-30 which are based, in part, of the cancelled subject matter of Claims 1 and 2.

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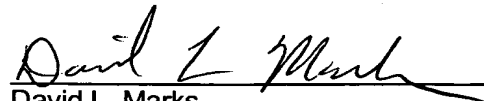
Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge all fees due to Deposit Account 19-0134. Applicant also requests that all correspondence be directed to the address associated with Customer Number 001095 which is currently as follows:

Novartis
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One Health Plaza, Building 104 Florham Park
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Any questions or issues can be directed to the below signed attorney at this address.
Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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